WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A locker unit comprising:

a housing structured and arranged to be retrofit to an existing key operated locker; and

an electronically controlled locking mechanism enabling keyless entry into the locker.

2. The locker unit of claim 1, further comprising a user interface for receiving an entry code from a user.

3. The locker unit of claim 2, wherein the user interface comprises a keypad.

4. The locker unit of claim 2, wherein the user interface comprises a display panel.

5. The locker unit of claim 4, wherein the display panel comprises at least one of a vacuum florescent display, a liquid crystal display, and a light emitting diode display.

6. The locker unit of claim 1, wherein the locking mechanism is mounted to a lock channel of an existing key operated locker system.

7. The locker unit of claim 1, wherein the locking mechanism comprises a cylinder for receiving a control key.

8. The locker unit of claim 1, wherein the locking mechanism comprises a cylinder including a knob.

9. The locker unit of claim 8, wherein turning the knob moves a deadbolt.

10. The locker unit of claim 9, wherein the knob is turned manually by a user.

11. The locker unit of claim 1, further comprising one or more coin slots.

12. The locker unit of claim 1, further comprising electronics structured and arranged to fit inside a cavity of a locker door.

13. The locker unit of claim 12, wherein the electronics comprise a micro-controller performing one or more of: event time and date recording, audit trail and usage recording, open all locks command, open individual lock command, keypad status monitoring and control including pass code, last code review, no codes locked out, anti-tamper, incorrect code detection and lockout, diagnostics, networked power distribution, and network communication.

14. The locker unit of claim 12, further comprising a power supply including one or more of a battery and network power.

15. The locker unit of claim 12, further comprising a motor controller for instructing a motor to inhibit and release the electronic locking mechanism.

16. The locker unit of claim 12, further comprising sensors for detecting at least one of bolt position, coin insertion, token insertion, control cylinder, and power level.

17. The locker unit of claim 12, further comprising a network interface.

18. A method comprising:

receiving an entry code through an electronically controlled locking mechanism retrofit to an existing key operated locker; and

proving keyless entry into the locker when the entry code is subsequently entered.

19. A computer program stored on a computer-readable medium, the computer program comprising instructions to:

receive an entry code through an electronically controlled locking mechanism retrofit to an existing key operated locker; and

prove keyless entry into the locker when the entry code is subsequently entered.

20. The computer program of claim 19, wherein the computer-readable medium comprises at least one of a disk, a client device, a network device, and a propagated signal.